

Town of Badger

Minutes of the regular public meeting of the Badger Town Council held
Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 6:30pm in Council Chambers.

Members present:	Mayor:	Dennis Butt
	Deputy Mayor:	Michelle Noseworthy
	Councillors:	Natasha Beaton
		Nicholas Blackwood
Jessica George		
		Ann Marie Young

Also, present:

Superintendent of Works:	Scott Luscombe
Relief Clerk:	Carol Ann Roberts

Absent:	Councillor:	Jazmin Eddy
	Town Clerk/ Manager	Pansy Hurley

Meeting was called to order and chaired by Mayor Dennis Butt at 6:30 pm

Discussion:

1. Discussion with Mr Scott Luscombe, Superintendent of Works.
 - Scott advised that all the Lift Stations are working good.
 - Scott informed council that they are having some issues with the sand truck again. He stated that the injectors are fouling up again. He cleaned up the injectors but there still seems to be an issue. He stated the he will take the gas tank out tomorrow to see if that will solve the issue.
 - They are now in the process of making picnic tables at the depot. They have six completed to date at a cost of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) . Scott estimates they will complete around 13-14 tables with the twenty-five hundred (\$2500.00) which was previously slated for this project.
 - Scott informed council that Occupational Health and Safety carried out the annual inspection at the stadium today and according to the inspector who performed the inspection everything is in order and satisfactorily meets with all requirements of the inspection process.

Discussion continued:

- Scott informed council that they have forty bags of cold patch used already on the potholes and it doesn't last no time before its out of the holes. Scott suggested that when they do go at the paving that it would be better if there were no other major projects taking place so as they can concentrate on getting the pavement all done as soon as weather conditions are suitable. It will be the middle of May before asphalt will be available. Mayor Butt informed Scott that Mr. Kevin Loder has offered the town use of a spreader and is available if they should want to use it. Further discussion will take place regarding the use of the spreader in the event that they should use it. Scott stated that extra workers would be required if they use this equipment during the paving process.
- Scott informed council that the Air Fryer in the kitchen has been repaired and is operational.

There being no further discussion Mr. Luscombe left the meeting at 6:45 pm

2. Fire Chief Gordon White was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

Adoption of Minutes:

1. Mayor Butt asked if there were any errors of omissions to the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held Tuesday, March 8, 2022 which were circulated with the agenda for tonight's meeting.

Motion # 030-2022

A. Young/N. Beaton

Resolved that the minutes of the regular public meeting of Council held on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 be adopted as circulated.

Vote:

**In Favor 6: D. Butt, M. Noseworthy, N. Beaton
N. Blackwood, J. George, A. Young**

Opposed: 0;

Abstained: 0

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Business Arising:

No business arising

Correspondence:

1. Partial Water and Sewer Replacement- Sunset Drive- (17-GI-22-00088) Prime Consultant Agreement (PCA) has been reviewed and signed.
2. Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador 2022 Municipal Symposium - Registration is now open to any Councillor who wishes to attend. If any councillor would like to attend they can contact the town clerk to confirm.
3. Correspondence from Kellie Kerpan, Director of Culture, Tourism and Community Development has confirmed that the proposal submitted to ACOA for the MMIWG garden in Badger has been fully approved. A special meeting will be set up to meet with Ms. Kerpan to further discuss this project.
4. Rediscover Main Street - Correspondence for ACOA informing the town of a one hundred percent fully funded program which will help communities to apply for funds. This project would encourage tourists to visit our community. The application deadline is April 29, 2022. Some research will be done to see what type of project the town could undertake to encourage tourists and residents to take an active part in events within our community.
5. The town has been notified that they have been successful in obtaining a \$7500.00 grant from the Department of Tourism, Culture and Arts and Recreation under the Active NL fund for trail upgrades to the Loggers' Way Trail.
6. Quotes have been received for upgrades for the Town Center Building project. Further discussion will continue regarding these quotes.

FINANCES:

1. The Relief Clerk presented the accounts payable dated April 12, 2022 in the amount of \$18,164.03 for disbursement as presented:

MOTION #031-2022 M. Noseworthy/N. Beaton

Resolved that Council approve the accounts payable journal dated April 12, 2022 in the amount of \$18,164.03 for disbursement as presented.

Vote:

**In Favor: D. Butt, M. Noseworthy, N. Beaton, N. Blackwood
 J. George, A. Young**

Opposed; 0

Abstained; 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Other Business:

1. Deputy Mayor Noseworthy stated that she received a phone call from the Millertown Come Home Committee asking if they could borrow tables and chairs from the Town of Badger. Deputy Mayor Noseworthy said she knows that the policy is not to loan tables and chairs from the Town Centre Building but she asked if it was possible to loan them the tables and chairs from the stadium. Council agreed that they would help them out as Millertown has always been willing to help the Town of Badger with tables and chairs for events over the years. Scott will check and see how many tables and chairs are at the stadium and let Deputy Mayor Noseworthy know what is available.
2. Deputy Mayor Noseworthy asked if we had received any information regarding Student Job positions available to us this year.

Other Business continued:

3. Discussion took place regarding booking someone to play for the Badger Day Dance. Councillor Beaton will make contact with a DJ to see if he is available and what the cost would be. She will update Council as soon as she hears from him. Mayor Butt said he will make contact with a DJ we had a few years ago to see if he is available also.

4. Councillor Blackwood asked if the Town would be interested in donating an item to the 2022 Graduation "Swag Bags" which are being presented to graduates of Exploits Valley High. In previous years the Town had made a donation of \$100.00. Council suggested that Councillor Blackwood check around to see what is available at a reasonable price that the town could offer. Councillor Blackwood will check with graduation organizers to see if they would prefer the annual donation or an item for the swag bags.

5. Discussion took place regarding the quotes which were received for the upgrades to the Town Centre Building. The quotes which originally were submitted with the application last year were a lot lower than the ones we received recently. We will contact ACOA to see if the scope of the work can be changed.

6. Mayor Butt informed Council that the town has been successful in obtaining a number of grants recently and he suggested that we make an announcement on our web page to inform residents of the recent grants we have received.

Adjournment:

Motion #032

A. Young/M. Noseworthy

Resolved that there being no further discussion Council will now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 6:30pm.

Vote:

In Favor: D. Butt; M. Noseworthy; N. Beaton, N. Blackwood; J. Georg; , A. Young

Opposed; 0

Abstained; 0

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm